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The proposed Final Judgement (PFJ) is not in the public interest because it is crucial that Microsoft's document formats (such as the format of Microsoft Office documents) be open and unencumbered by patents, enabling others to freely create competing software which operates on documents in those formats. The PFJ would allow Microsoft to keep its document formats secret and to protect them with patents, creating an enormous Barrier to Entry for competing applications.

Sincerely,

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